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"And they cried, The Sword of the Lord, and of Gideon." Judges 7:20

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Are You Thankful?

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One of the complaints expressed with deep sorrow by the God of Heaven is found in Romans 1:21, in three mournful words—"Neither were thankful." The blessed Lord upon His throne pours out His blessings of sunshine, rain, harvest of grain, fruits, and flowers, friends and fellowship, then waits for the expression of gratitude that should come from our hearts. Does He hear it? Does He receive it? Evidently, from the statement we have quoted, He does not.

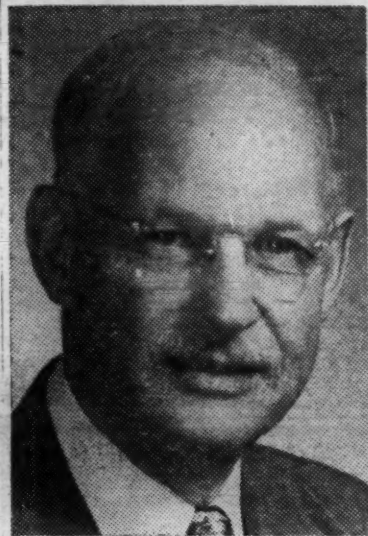
Let us not continue to hurt His heart by withholding our expressions of thanksgiving for all His wonderful love and kindness to us.

In Colossians 3:15 we have the definite command, "Be ye thankful." Isn't it strange that God would have to command us to give thanks? Perhaps you will remember that children need to be told, "Say thank you." We begin it as soon as they are able to understand, and usually we must continue it for many years. We want our children to be grateful and to say thank you, but so few do. So children of God need to be reminded to say, "Thank You, Lord." Surely there is plenty to be thankful for, yet God found it necessary to command us to be thankful.

In Ephesians 5:20 we are told we should be thankful "FOR all things." Whether it be sunshine or shadow, whether it be joy or sorrow, whether it be present or future, we should be filled with gratitude because the God of Heaven has His hand upon all of our affairs. If He withholds good things from us, we say thank You. If He grants our requests we say

thank You. We thank Him for His gifts, and for His withholdings. We thank Him for His care and protection, as well as for the

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Dr. Walter L. Wilson

The Secret Place of God

By Rev. J. Harold Smith, Pastor-Evangelist,
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"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."—Ps. 91:1.

I do not know a time when I have been more grateful to God than I am at this season of the year, especially this Thanksgiving.

First of all, I thank Him that He has redeemed and saved my lost soul and called me to preach the glorious Gospel of the Son of God and given me the opportunity of witnessing to more people this year than I have ever preached to in all of my ministry. I too, thank Him for watching over me through another year, providing for me and for mine the necessities of life. I thank Him from the depths of my soul for stopping the bloody slaughter, at least temporarily, in Korea. How long this bloody deluge will delay only God Himself knows, but thanks be unto God, this Thanksgiving our precious young men are not dying on the battlefields of a faraway land.

To Live in the Secret Place Means a Life of Communion

The words of the psalmist in the first verse of Psalm 91 is one of the most beautiful portions of the Bible. Here is a promise that breathes the fragrant atmosphere of the high hills of Christian holi-

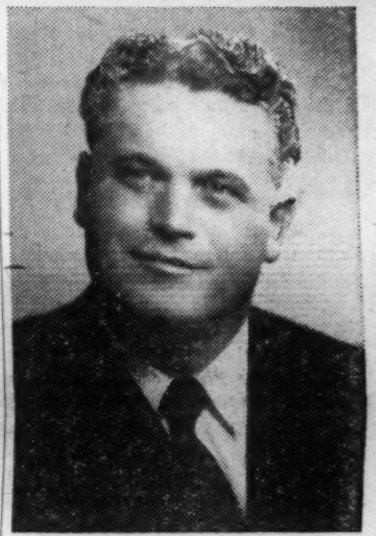
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ness and trust in God. "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust." If there has ever been an hour when we need to thank God that we can dwell in the secret place of the most High it is now. Under the shadow of the Almighty is a wonderful place to abide.

Can you say to the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust"? What does it mean to have God as our refuge? What does it mean to have Him as our fortress? Is He able to protect us from the Atom Bomb? From the Hydrogen Bomb? From the Russians? Is He able to protect us from the sharp tongues of the critics? Is He able to protect us from the onslaughts and the mad rushes and the attacks of communism? Praise God, He is! From these inspiring words we learn that all those who live a life of communion with God are constantly safe under His protection and they therefore preserve a holy security of mind at all times. "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High"—He that by faith chooses God for his guardian shall find all in Him which he needs or can desire.

It is the character of a true believer that he dwells "in the secret place of the most High." He is at home in God, returns to God and reposes in Him as his rest. He acquaints himself with inward religion and makes heart work of the services of God, worships within the veil and loves to be alone with Him in solitude. The lonely

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Rev. J. Harold Smith

Scriptural Lessons From The Kidnapping and Murder of Bobby Greenlease

By Evangelist John R. Rice



Bobby Greenlease, six years old, kidnapped September 28 and murdered the next day. \$600,000 ransom was extorted from his father, Kansas City Cadillac dealer.

"There were present at that season some that told him of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans, because they suffered such things? I tell you, Nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Or those eighteen, upon whom the tower in Siloam fell, and slew them, think ye that they were sinners above all men that dwelt in Jerusalem? I tell you, Nay: but except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."—Luke 13:1-5.

Jesus preached using public events as the occasion and the framework for His preaching of the Gospel. He used execution of the Galilean traitors by Pilate, the destruction of eighteen people by falling walls of the tower of Siloam, to impress spiritual truths. When His attention was called to the temple, He used it as an illustration of that other temple, His body, which should be raised from the dead in three days. He used for illustration "Herod, that fox," the arrest of John the Baptist, the hypocrisy of the scribes and Pharisees. So we do well to find some great spiritual lessons from the kidnapping and murder of little Bobby Greenlease of Kansas City.

He was only six years old, a few weeks ago when the strange woman appeared at the Catholic private school he attended and said that his mother was sick and had sent for him. When a nun at the school called the Greenlease mansion to inquire about Mrs. Greenlease's health, it was learned that she was not sick, had not sent for her son. Then

there were dreadful moments awaiting before the telephone call came from the kidnapper demanding ransom. There were several telephone calls, a demand for \$600,000 ransom, then plans to drop the money in \$10-bills and \$20-bills in an army duffel bag over a bridge at midnight to the road below. Days of waiting followed. The false kidnapper did not return the child as promised. A shocked nation prayed. The well-to-do Greenlease, Cadillac automobile dealer in Kansas City, with his heart-broken wife, waited—waited—waited!

At last, in St. Louis, a cab man reported to police; a man, throwing away money like water, had used his cab. The cabbie had secured a prostitute for him; they could be found in the motel room at 8 a.m.

Carl Austin Hall was arrested. With him were two suitcases containing

about \$296,000. He confessed to the kidnapping. His partner in the crime, Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady, was discovered. In her back yard in a shallow grave was the dead

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Kidnappers of little Bobby Greenlease, Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Heady in custody of U. S. Deputy Marshall.

3 IMPORTANT PLEAS!

By the Editor

The editor has three earnest requests and he hopes that every subscriber to THE SWORD OF THE LORD will read every word of these pleas and call them to the attention of the family.

\$17,000 Required for Sword Building Fund by January 1

We have purchased a beautiful piece of property in Wheaton, Illinois, 165x165, with three frame buildings on it, near the heart of Wheaton, Illinois, as a site for the large permanent office building which we plan. God willing, \$5,000 down payment will be made before you read this. We have agreed to pay \$17,000 more in cash by January 1. The remaining \$44,000 is to be paid August 1, 1954. The total purchase price is \$66,000.

God has given us this Presbyterian Church property. It is ideal for our purpose. God has closed other doors, and only on this place has the Board of the Sword of the Lord Foundation had perfect agreement, and all of us have perfect peace.

We ask all who love the Sword and will help in the great expansion plans, to send a generous offering as God leads and provides, for the Sword Building Fund. Make it a Christmas offering. Send it when you can. If you want a special red Christmas stocking for saving of small gifts, you may have one free, or as many as you require. But please, in any way that you can, plan to send a generous gift for the Sword Building Fund. We must pay that \$17,000 cash January 1!

A long appeal is not necessary. May God lay the need on all hearts. Will you help?

\$1,000 Evangelistic Sermon Contest Closes December 1. Hurry in Those Sermons!

The second annual Sword of the Lord \$1,000 Evangelistic Sermon Contest comes to a close on December 1. From all over America and from many foreign countries will come sermons by godly men. If you wish to enter a sermon in this contest, be sure that it reaches us before December 1.

The sermon must be original, not previously published, type-written, double spaced. Full instructions for the contest sent free. First prize, \$250; second, third, fourth prizes, \$100 each; next nine sermons \$50 each. Other suitable sermons will be published in THE SWORD OF THE LORD. Remember the address—Sword of the Lord, Wheaton, Illinois, and get that sermon in!

Less Than This Is Not Enough for a Good Christian!

Because of the peculiar and unusual work of THE SWORD OF THE LORD, we feel that we must ask, and have a right to ask, the cooperation of Bible-believing, soul-winning Christians.

First of all, THE SWORD OF THE LORD is primarily a Gospel paper. No other Christian magazine in the world, as far as we know, prints as many full-length Gospel sermons, and certainly none other publishes so many sermons by the greatest soul winners of the past and present. Now if you don't like preaching, you don't like God's plan, for "it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe" (I Cor. 1:21). And Christians are commanded, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). We have other great features in THE SWORD OF THE LORD and we want to make it an all-round blessing, a family Christian paper. But we do not lower the standards, and we make no bones about it. This is a Bible-preaching magazine. That is one reason it is so life-transforming.

Again, THE SWORD OF THE LORD sets out to defend the faith and to proclaim the whole Word of God. We do not trim the corners to please nervous people who are afraid to hurt people's feelings. We love all Christians and have fellowship with all who are true on the main fundamentals of the faith. But we are against modernism and we say so, and say why. We are against false cults and isms which teach a false plan of salvation, and we say why. We are for plain preaching against sin, as Bible prophets and apostles were, and as all the great saints of God in the past have been. That plain stand gives us a right, surely, to expect the cooperation of godly Christian people who are out-and-out for God. The lukewarm, the halfhearted, the compromising, worldly Christian may not stand up for THE SWORD OF THE LORD. Surely all the others ought to.

I hope you will compare THE SWORD OF THE LORD with all the best Christian magazines. Count the Scriptures used. See how much ground is covered in the great teaching and preaching. You will not be surprised, then, to find that more lives are changed, more preachers set on fire, more churches are led to revival, more young people are called out for Christian service, more souls are won to Christ than through any other comparable medium that we know anything about.

THE SWORD OF THE LORD has set out, under the call of God, to enlarge its work. We have undertaken, by God's help and with the help of Bible-believing Christians, revival-minded Christians, to increase the paid circulation to 200,000 by our twentieth anniversary, September 28, 1954. Already THE SWORD reaches about 100,000 homes. Already it reaches over 20,000 preachers, about 2,000 foreign missionaries, and Christians in some 80 foreign countries, as well as every state in the United States. Now, God willing, we plan to double our work and influence. But that means we absolutely must have the cooperation and help of like-minded Christians.

We believe that every Christian who reads THE SWORD OF THE LORD ought to do the following things, and can do them in good conscience:

1. Every Christian ought to talk up the paper to others and help to spread the influence of Gospel preaching, revival preaching and teaching, a firm stand for the faith, a tender appeal to sinners. Preachers should speak of THE SWORD OF THE LORD from the pulpit. Sunday School teachers should recommend it to their classes. One Christian should tell another Christian. This personal witness and testimony is right and I beg you in Jesus' name to make it. It will honor Christ and bless thousands if you will help to get people acquainted with THE SWORD OF THE LORD.

2. We believe every out-and-out Christian who reads THE SWORD ought to pray earnestly and regularly and daily for the paper, its editor, and that God will raise up friends and prosper it. I thought to put this request first, then I decided that one who does not talk to men for God will not be heard much when he talks to God for men. One who does not witness to others may not have his prayer heard when he talks to God. If you will witness, then please pray. We want you to pray for us, and we feel that we are so needy, so inadequate for the

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storms that sometimes crash down around our heads. We are to be thankful FOR everything.

But in I Thessalonians 5:18 we are told to be thankful "IN all things." In every kind of situation we are to be filled with thanksgiving to God. It might be in the river, but it will not overflow us. It might be in the fire, but it shall not burn us. It may be in the storm, but we shall not be hurt by

it. Whether in wealth or in poverty, whether in health or in sickness, whether in sunshine or in shadow, we are to be thankful to the God of Heaven for His precious presence, His wonderful promises, and His constant care.

We read in Psalm 106:47 that we are saved and separated in order that we may give thanks to God. The world gives no thanks. The ungodly never bow the head in

tremendous task that needs to be done that only the miraculous leadership of the Spirit of God, the power of the Holy Spirit, and the God-given fellowship of other Christians can enable us to do what God wants us to do with THE SWORD OF THE LORD. Please, in Jesus' name, pray for us.

3. We believe that every Christian who is really out-and-out, who really has a burden for souls, for revival, a burden about modernism, a burden about the false cults, a burden about child delinquency and flaming youth, a burden about worldliness among Christians, ought to help get subscriptions. You can pass out sample copies of the paper to others. You can suggest that your church put it in the budget. You can encourage a men's class, or women's class, or young people's class to send subscriptions as a special project. You can talk to the pastor about it.

And literally thousands of Christians ought to, accept a quota and set out, in the months ahead, to send in 25 subscriptions, or 50, or 100, or 250, or more. That is not much to ask. You may pay for them yourself at so much a week. Or you may get others to subscribe when you can. Or you may take subscriptions in a public meeting. But surely everybody can subscribe for some. Only 2 subscriptions a month

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gratitude to the God of their lives. It is those who are saved from going down to the pit and have been set apart as God's people who are filled with thanksgiving. Surely we will not rob God of the thanks due to His name, and prove to be ungrateful and unthankful to the God who has done so much for us.

A strange question is asked in Psalm 6:5, "In the grave who shall give thee thanks?" Beloved, you know very well that the folks in the cemetery have closed lips and cold hearts. There is no song of praise rising from these desolate graves. All is somber and silent there. Surely you will not be like those who lie in the tomb. It is the living who praise God. It is those who know God who are most grateful to Him. You should be among that number and never let the Lord say about you that you were not thankful.

David's purpose of heart is expressed in Psalm 30:12, wherein he promised and assured the people that he did never cease to be a thankful child of God. He stated that he would give thanks forever. No cold blanket would ever cause his song to cease. No troubles, trials or difficulties would ever hush the song of his heart. He has perpetuated his thanksgiving in the many beautiful Psalms. We read them, we rejoice in them, we see again how David's thanksgiving continues from age to age in the messages that he has written for us, and the Holy Spirit has preserved to us.

The psalmist in Psalm 119:62 makes a most interesting statement about the well of gratitude springing up in his soul. He said he would rise at midnight to express his thanksgiving to God. He had retired to rest, but his spirit would not sleep. The thoughts of God's goodness and His grace and His wonderful benevolence stirred the psalmist so deeply he could not remain on his couch. Even though the midnight hour had come, he would rise and express to God the gladness of His soul and the gratitude of his heart. No matter how dark the night, nor how late the hour, his heart must pour out its thanksgiving to the wonderful God of his life.

Do you feel this way? Does He receive from you the fullness of your heart pouring out in gratitude to Him? God grant it may be so with all of us.

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BE THANKFUL

Today upon a bus I saw
A lovely girl with golden hair
I envied her, she seemed so gay,
I wished I were so fair—
When suddenly she rose to leave,
I saw her hobble down the aisle,
She had one leg and wore a crutch
And as she passed—a smile.
O God, forgive me when I whine,
I have two legs
The world is mine!

And then I stopped to buy some
sweets,
The lad who sold them had such
charm
I talked with him, he seemed so
glad,
If I were late 'twould do no harm
As I left he said to me, "I thank
you.
You've been so kind, it's nice to
talk
With folks like you," he said,
"For you see I'm blind."
O God forgive me when I whine,
I have two eyes
The world is mine!

Later while walking down the
street
I saw a child with eyes of blue;
He stood and watched the others
play,
It seemed he knew not what to do.
I stopped a moment then I said,
"Why don't you join the others,
dear?"
He stood and looked without a
word.
And then I knew he could not hear.
O God, forgive me when I whine,
I have two ears
The world is mine!

With legs to take me where I'd go;
With eyes to see the sunset's glow;
With ears to hear what I would
know;
O God, forgive me when I whine,
I'm blest indeed
The world is mine!
From "Light in the Night"

The Folly of PROCRASTINATION

By the late H. A. Ironside, Litt.D.
Long pastor of the Moody Memorial Church, Chicago

"When I have a convenient season I will call for thee."
—Acts 24:25.

I am not going to occupy you with the story of Felix, his duplicity, his perfidy, and his folly in deferring the question of salvation until for him, I fear, it was forever too late. For as you know, what little history records concerning him suggests that he lived and died in his sins. But I want you to consider with me the foolishness of following his example in saying, not so much perhaps to a servant of God, but to the Holy Spirit of God, what he said to the Apostle Paul, "When I have a convenient season I will call for thee."

I am addressing myself, I presume, to an audience composed largely of Christians, yet I am sure there are many here tonight who are still without the saving knowledge of Christ. I take it for granted you intend to become a Christian some day. You have not thought of spending all your life in rebellion against God and going out into eternity an impenitent sinner to be lost forever. You have said to yourself over and over again, "Some day I must settle this question, and settle it in the right way. Some day I must yield to the voice of God; some day I must accept Christ's gracious invitation." But you have added, "Not now. When I have a convenient season, a more convenient season, I will take this matter up and give it my earnest attention."

Let me earnestly inquire, When do you think that more convenient season will arrive? When do you think it will be easier to face your sins in the presence of God, to confess them, to turn to God in definite repentance, and to accept the Lord Jesus Christ by faith as your Saviour, than it would be tonight?

Will a Sick Bed Bring a More Convenient Time to Be Saved?

Will it be a more convenient season, a better time to go into this matter, when perchance you are stricken down by illness and find yourself lying helplessly on a sick bed? Is this your idea of a convenient season? When you can no longer rush hither and thither as you do now, but when on a bed, racked by pain and weakened by disease, you lie in a quiet room, or perhaps in a hospital ward, with plenty of time to think, and to weigh the great questions of time and eternity? Are you so sure this will be a more convenient season? Do you think it more likely that you will be in a better condition to take up such tremendous issues when weak and sick and perhaps tormented by anxiety as to the final outcome?

During the years in which I have sought to preach the gospel



Dr. H. A. Ironside

of Christ, I have sat by thousands of sick beds. I have been sent again and again, by anxious relatives who have said to me something like this, "This son (this husband, this wife, this daughter, or whatever else the relationship may be) is very ill and we fear has never turned to Christ. Will you not come to see if you could help such an one to a definite decision?" And so often I have gone in and the nurse has said, "Be careful; do not say anything that would excite the patient," or, "The doctor has warned against anything that might make the sick one think that death is near," and I have felt so handicapped as I have tried to speak of Christ and the soul's great need. But in so many instances the brain has been so overwrought or the nervous system so upset that I could only get in a few words, and then after reading some passages from God's blessed Book kneel in prayer, and commit the sick one to Christ. I am afraid that sometimes I have actually prayed rather for the edification, as I hoped, of the patient, than that my words might reach the ears of God, that is, hoping that indirectly some expressions used in the prayer might be carried by the Spirit of God home to the heart of the one who lay there so restless or perhaps so lethargic; and over and over again, when the end has come there has been no assurance whatever that the Word has found lodgment in the soul or that the sinner was saved.

My friend, a sick-bed is a poor place upon which to settle the question of one's relationship to God. Tonight while you are strong and well, while the eye is clear and bright, and the breath comes regularly, and the pulse beats in

an orderly way, it is the time to attend to the question of your soul's salvation. Do not, I beg of you, think of a sick-bed as affording a more convenient season.

Do You Expect More Leisure for Thought Later?

Then again in this rushing work-a-day age when there seems so little time for quiet meditation, are you saying to yourself, "When I can take life more leisurely, when I do not have so much to occupy me, perhaps when I have made my fortune and can retire from business, that will be a more convenient season, and then I will attend to the matter of getting right with God?" But have you ever reflected how many people there are who never attain this period of leisure? Do you realize that the great majority of us are so situated that we have to work on and on saving very little; and then perhaps by some unexpected change of condition, lose all that we have saved, and so struggle for bread and butter right up to the last, until eventually the poor overwrought heart suddenly stops and we go out to meet God. Oh, what a solemn thing if one is thus called to meet Him unprepared! You have,

Room for pleasure, room for business,
But for Christ the crucified,
Not a place that He can enter
In the heart for which He died.

You remember the other verse of that old gospel hymn:

Have you any time for Jesus,
As in grace He calls again?
Oh, today is time accepted,
Tomorrow He may call in vain.

While you are waiting for a time of greater leisure, when as you fancy you may with less distraction take up and settle the solemn problems that have to do with your eternal weal or woe, will you not remember that it is given to very few indeed to ever reach such a desirable state in life? Surely then the only wise thing is to heed the call of God now.

Jesus called Peter from a busy fisherman's life; He called Matthew from the tax-collector's office where he was doubtless literally overwhelmed with work. He stopped Saul of Tarsus in the midst of a rushing career, and all found salvation through heeding His Word. You do not need more leisure in order to inquire more particularly in regard to these things. The gospel is so plain, the invitation is so clear, the message is so simple, you have but to lift your heart in the midst of all the rushing things of life and look to Jesus in faith, to be eternally saved.

Room and time now give to Jesus,
Soon will pass God's day of grace;
Soon thy heart be cold and silent,
And thy Saviour's pleading cease.

Old Age Not a Convenient Time for Salvation

Are there others who saying, perhaps not with the lips but at least in their hearts, "Go Thy way for this time. When I am old, I will send for Thee?" Are you cherishing the hope that in old age if you ever attain to it, you will be better prepared to come to Christ than you are in your youth or in middle life? Do you realize that very few old people who have lived all their lives in sin ever turn to Christ at last? Do you remember that the Holy Scripture speaks of the heart being hardened by the deceitfulness of sin? Do you recall that there is such a thing as the conscience becoming seared as with a hot iron, so that it ceases to register?

You have often heard the expression, "He, or she, is gospel-hardened," and it sets forth a condition to which many, alas, attain. There are people all over Christendom who have heard the gospel so many times that it ceases to move them in the slightest degree. Pharaoh hardened his heart against God so often that at last we read, "God hardened Pharaoh's heart." How did He harden it? Simply by the repeated declarations of His will to which Pharaoh refused to give heed. The sun which softens the wax hardens the clay, and the same gospel message which melts the tender heart of an exercised youth, will make no impression whatever, perchance, up-



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NO CHRISTIAN IS EXCUSED FROM LIVING THE CHRISTIAN LIFE.

"... AND YET OFFEND IN ONE POINT ..."

Evangelist Henry Morehouse once said: "I find a difficulty in the hearts of many in taking their place as guilty sinners before God. Some time ago a woman said to me, 'I cannot see that one who has broken one of the Commandments can be as bad as another who has broken five, or another who has broken the whole ten.' But I told her that God never gave five or ten laws; He gave only one, which consists of ten commandments."

"Just look at that watch. If you counted the wheels you would find perhaps ten or more, yet it is a broken watch, and will not go. Yet if you break only one wheel, it is still a broken watch and will not go." Still the woman could not see it, so I said: "Suppose you were hanging by a chain over a precipice. The chain consists of ten links. If a man took a hammer and smashed every link, where would you go?" "To the bottom, of course." "But suppose only one link were broken, where would you go?" "That would be just as bad; I would fall." ...

"It takes just as much grace to save the best people in the world as to save the vilest. Nothing but grace through faith in Jesus Christ can give liberty and freedom from the law of sin."

—"Life and Light"

"GOD'S ROAD MAP—THE BIBLE."

—KENYON A. PALMER

A TALL ENOUGH PREACHER

A steward came to the presiding elder and asked for a preacher. "How big a man do you want?" asked the elder. "I do not care so much about his size," said the steward, "but I want him to be tall enough to reach heaven when he is on his knees."

—Baptist Bulletin Service

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on the hard heart of an aged sinner.

I shall never forget listening night after night to Dwight L. Moody in the old Hazzard's Pavilion, Los Angeles, when I was but a lad of twelve. I could not get

a seat the first night I went, the place was so full, so I climbed out on one of the steel girders reaching from the top gallery supported from the roof, and there I lay looking down upon the great throng, (Continued on page 4)

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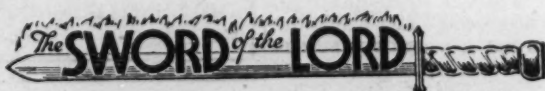
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WITH THE Evangelists

REPORTS FROM AMERICA'S OUTSTANDING SOUL WINNERS

By the Editor

EVANGELIST EDDIE MARTIN, 2306 Lititz Pike, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, has just finished his fifth united revival of the 1953 summer season. These campaigns were held at Marshall, Texas; Nacogdoches, Texas; Greenville, Mississippi; Martinsburg, West Virginia; and Jackson, Tennessee.

Evangelist Martin writes, "In the five campaigns I personally dealt with over 3,000 people who responded to the clear cut 'salvation invitation.' A careful check up has revealed that over eighty per cent of the converts who were not already in churches have joined the churches before the campaigns closed. At Greenville, Mississippi, The Second Baptist Church had over 115 additions. At Jackson, Tennessee, two of the churches have had over 100 additions each, with several of the smaller churches having had over 50 additions."

Thirty-eight of the Madison-Chester Association churches assisted in the Jackson, Tennessee, campaign, which was the first such united effort the city has had

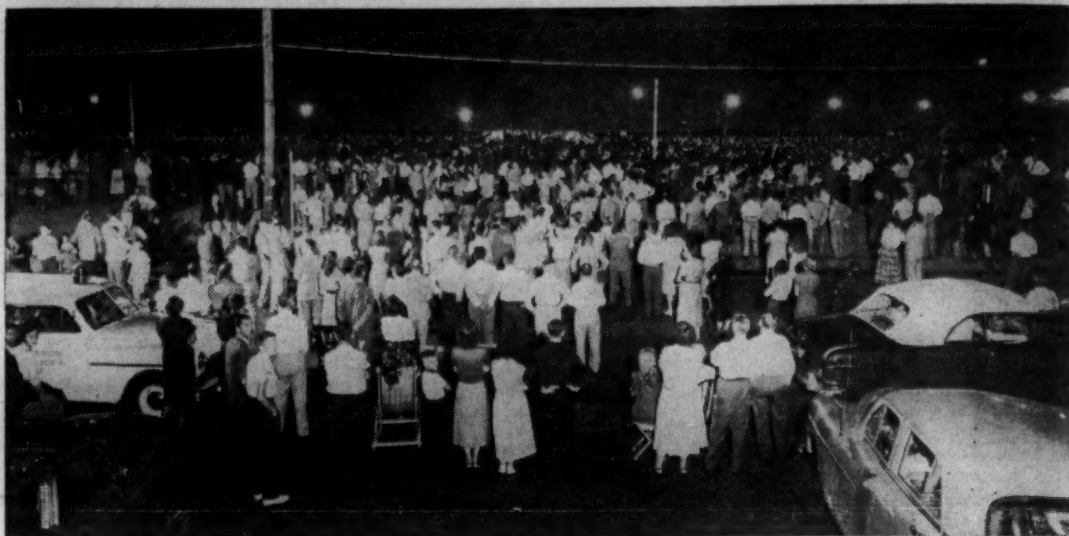
in forty-nine years. 789 people responded to the salvation invitation. Crowds filled the tent nightly, overrunning it the second and third Sunday nights. The team carried the Gospel into factories, into schools and colleges, and into the National Guard Armory.

The front page of the newspaper carried daily reports of the sermons. *The Jackson Sun* said, "The final service at the tent Sunday night attracted the largest crowd of the entire three weeks period. Estimates by police and others numbered the crowd at more than 7,000. All facilities were taxed to take care of the crowd at all."

EVANGELIST E. J. DANIELS, P. O. Box 3428, Orlando, Florida, reports a blessed revival October 11 through 25 with Dr. Harold G. Sanders and the First Baptist Church of Tallahassee, Florida. There were 235 conversions and rededications, 110 uniting with the First Baptist Church, and 10 with other churches.

SWORD EVANGELIST LLOYD H. BARDOWEL has just completed a wonderful revival campaign in College Park, Georgia, with Pastor Bill Martin. Lloyd writes, "Thank God, this was, according to the testimony of some, the greatest revival they have had. There were many difficulties... In spite of all this, God gave us twenty-one trusting Christ for salvation, twenty-seven rededications, fourteen missionary volunteers, and four decisions to begin family altars."

THE BILLY GRAHAM team wired the Editor October 26: "45,000 PEOPLE ASSEMBLED IN DETROIT BRIGGS STADIUM SUNDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 25, TO HEAR BILLY GRAHAM. OVER ONE THOUSAND RESPONDED TO THE INVITATION YESTERDAY AND CAME FORWARD ON TURF. GRAHAM CRUSADE IN DETROIT WHICH REACHED THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND IN FOUR WEEKS HAS BEEN EXTENDED



Here pictured is overflow crowd estimated at 7,000 which attended final service of the Eddie Martin union campaign at Jackson, Tennessee. This twenty-two day campaign was sponsored by thirty-

eight churches and had an average attendance of 4,500 nightly. Seven hundred eighty-nine people responded to the salvation invitation during the campaign.

ONE WEEK THROUGH NOVEMBER 1."

Later information corrects the "one thousand" to 837 decisions for Sunday afternoon, and says total decisions recorded in four weeks were 6,193.

EVANGELIST JOHN LINTON has changed his address from Minneapolis to 328 Belle Isle View, Riverside, Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

EVANGELIST DICK ROBERTS from Whitworth College, Spokane, Washington, assisted by song leader Gary Hutchins of the same college, led in revival services at Clayton, Washington. There was a good meeting, many saved, many Christians revived, according to an enthusiastic comment sent by Mr. Clifford Truman.

THE PHIL SHULER EVANGELISTIC TEAM has just completed a successful campaign in Winner, South Dakota, where the entire Ministerial Association sponsored a two-week's meeting. Brother Howard Bergland, secretary of the Winner Ministerial Association writes that there were 157 first-time decisions.

The Phil Shuler-Eddie Dunn team began a union effort in the Corn Palace, Mitchell, South Dakota, October 25. The Corn Palace has a capacity of 4500 and 15 churches are supporting him there.

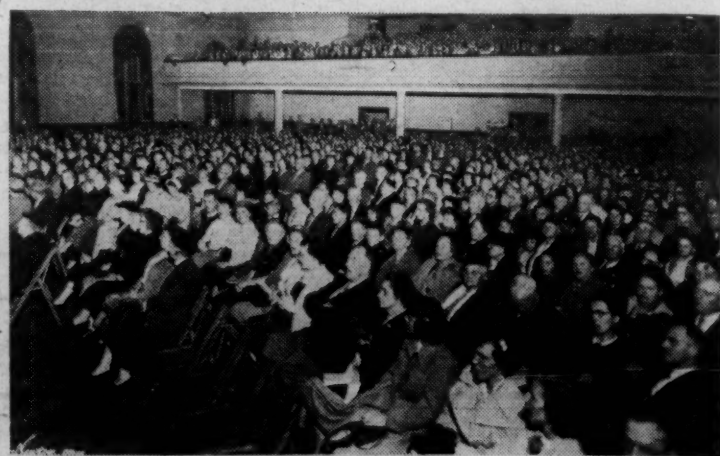
EVANGELIST FREDDIE GAGE and song leader Jimmy Snellen, Box 306, Decatur, Texas, have just closed their twenty-fifth revival for the year. There were a total of 148 professions of faith in their last four revivals.

Rev. A. C. Mowery, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Chico, Texas, where their latest revival was held, writes, "There were thirty conversions... The influence of this revival was felt for miles around. Having profited in many directions as a result of the labors of these young men, we recommend either or both of them to any church that wants a good song leader or fervent gospel preaching."

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The Folly of Procrastination

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watching the sturdily-built matter-of-fact business-like man, who had been advertised as the renowned evangelist, Moody. I was greatly impressed by his intensity, and many a time as I lay there, I said in my heart, "Oh, how glad I would be if I could some day reach great throngs of people with the gospel in the way that man is doing."

I remember so well one night Mr. Moody asked all who were sure they were converted to stand on their feet. He kept them standing while the ushers gave an estimate of the number who had risen. They were reported to be between five and six thousand. Then Mr. Moody asked all who had come to Christ before they were fifteen years of age to sit down. To my amazement, fully two-thirds of that great throng dropped to their seats. Then he said, "All who became Christians before you were twenty, sit down." Less than one-half of those left standing remained on their feet. Then he requested all who were saved under thirty to sit down, and another great company took their seats. So it went on, those under forty, under fifty, and by that time there were perhaps not twenty people still standing. It was one of the most striking testimonies I have ever seen of the fact that the great majority of people are saved in early youth, and very few indeed ever turn to God after they have passed the one-half century.

What stupendous folly then for any one with whom the Spirit is now pleading to say, "When I get old, it will be a more convenient season. Let me alone now, Holy Spirit of God; come back to me when my hair is white, my step is infirm, my eyes are dim, and my nerves shattered, and my whole body has become decrepit and infirm."

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Or are there some here who are saying, "When I feel different, then I will come?" You think the present is not a propitious season because you are not overwhelmed with emotions. But on some future occasion when your feelings are more deeply stirred, when perhaps you imagine yourself to be better than you are now, or more interested in spiritual things, then you

will come to Christ and close with His offer of mercy. Have you noticed that God nowhere asks you to feel different before you come to Jesus? Everywhere the Scripture insists on immediate response to the call of God irrespective of frames or feelings. It is not necessary that you go through some great emotional experience in order to trust in Christ. You remember the old hymn:

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
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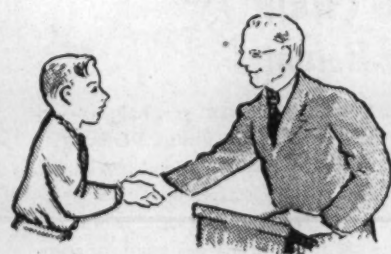
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Fire Destroys E. J. Daniels' Tent and Equipment



Scene from fire destroying tent. Taken as it smoldered.

An estimated \$12,000 fire in Greer, South Carolina, October 9, completely destroyed the large revival tent and equipment belonging to our beloved friend, Evangelist E. J. Daniels. This included the big truck and trailer used as a platform, all public address equipment, movie projectors, religious films, and other equipment stored in the control room of the truck trailer. Out of the \$12,000 worth of equipment, only about \$600 worth was salvaged. The cause of the fire is unknown. However, Dr. Daniels says, "I preached that night before the tent was burned against communism... some three or four people walked out of the tent as if in anger... I had also spoken against the Negro false christ, Father Divine, and the false prophet, Daddy Grace."

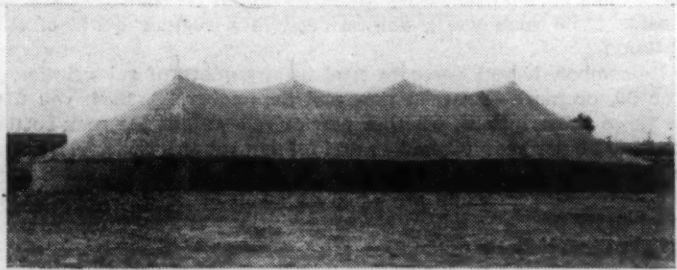
One of the tragedies of the fire was that the insurance had expired only a few hours before. The tent had been insured through Wednesday, October 6; the revival was extended three more days, through October 9.

But the Devil did not put Dr. Daniels out of business. He was not pleased with the great crowds and the many souls saved under that old tent. "Perhaps the Devil told God that if the tent were destroyed and his servants made to suffer a total loss of some \$12,000 that I would want to quit and give up," Dr. Daniels said. "God being my helper, I want to show the Devil he is wrong. I am more determined than ever to do my best to fight the Devil and win souls. I hate the Devil and his works more than ever."

Dr. Daniels has the blessing of God upon his ministry; great crowds hear him, and many are saved everywhere he goes. He is one of the godliest men, one of the most devoted and trusted men the editor knows. We love him and join in earnest prayer that the equipment will be replaced.

We know Sword of the Lord readers will pray that God will provide another tent and equipment to replace this one. If friends wish to help Dr. Daniels, or write him a note of encouragement, his address is

Dr. E. J. Daniels
P. O. Box 3428
Orlando, Florida



Scene shows large tent before it was destroyed.

The Folly of Procrastination

(Continued from page 4)

*All the fitness Christ requireth
Is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.
Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all;
Not the righteous—sinners Jesus
came to call.*

You do not have to improve yourself before coming to Christ. He is not calling upon you to cleanse your own heart from its sinfulness or to break off evil habits that have bound you. You are not asked to help Him save you, but He offers to take you just as you are, and save you fully and completely by His own almighty power.

God Says Today Is the Time to Be Saved!

And now I would ask you to consider the divine answer to your suggestion that you wait for a more convenient season. In 2 Corinthians 6:2 the Holy Spirit has said, "Behold, now is the accepted

time, behold, now is the day of salvation." And in Hebrews 3:15 we read, "Today, if you will hear His voice, harden not your hearts." Why should you thus attempt to defer the settlement of your soul's salvation when God is so ready to save you now?

Consider four things which I want to press upon you briefly in closing.

1. Remember no better time will ever come. No matter if you live to a vigorous old age, you will never have a better opportunity to close with Christ than you have now, and it is questionable if you will ever be more ready to be saved. In the meantime, even supposing you come after sixty or seventy years of living in sin, you will have lost just that much joy and peace which you might have had by being saved earlier.

2. This is of great importance. You will never have fewer sins to account for than you have tonight. Do not say, "I am not a great sinner." What do you mean by that? If you are still rejecting Christ, you are guilty of the worst sin any

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We would like to pay for these 40 subscriptions out of the M & M Fund which is very low at present. Since there are over 25 subscriptions involved, \$60 will pay for these 40 people for a year. And who knows what a year's subscription to this group will do! And if you feel burdened to help in this work, you may send your gift, designated to the Missionary and Minister Subscription Gift Fund, to Sword of the Lord, Wheaton, Illinois. And pray that your gift will be used to bless a soul . . . or to save a soul, for many people want it who are unsaved.

one can possibly commit, for nothing can exceed in guilt the spurning of God's own blessed Son. But take the question of actual violations of His holy law. Every day that you live, you are adding to the number of your transgressions.

Suppose that you only commit three sins a day, one in thought, one in word, and one in deed; that would be in round numbers 1,000 sins a year, and you are per chance 20, 30, 40, 50 years of age. Then you are guilty of 20, 30, 40, 50,000 sins already, and every day you live you are adding to the number. Is it not the greatest folly to go on increasing your guilt while hoping for a more convenient season to be cleansed therefrom? But who is there who has only committed three sins a day? Is it not a dreadful fact that the record is far greater than that, and that you now stand guilty before God of untold myriads of sins for which no other atonement is possible than that which was made by Christ upon the cross? Why not then trust at once in Him who died and have the blessed assurance that all your sins are forever cast into the sea of God's forgetfulness?

3. In the third place, consider, God will never be more ready to save you than He is now. He has manifested His love to the fullest extent in sending His only begotten Son to be the propitiation for our sins. He has given His Holy Spirit to convince of sin, righteousness, and judgment. He has sent His messengers out into all the world with the gospel proclamation. Everywhere they go they are instructed to cry, "All things are ready! Come!" Do you not see that you are insulting God when you coldly turn away and say, "I intend to accept the invitation some day but not now. When I have a convenient season, I will call for Thee."

4. Lastly, let me affectionately remind you that the gospel will never be more efficacious to bring peace to your weary heart than now. The blood of Christ will never avail to any greater extent than at this present moment to cleanse your conscience from every stain of sin and make you perfectly fit for the presence of God. The work of the cross is finished. There is nothing to be added to what Christ has done. God calls upon you to

Noteworthy NEWS Notes

Mel Larson New Head of YFC Magazine

Mel Larson of Minneapolis, former newspaperman in that city and author of a number of books, has been named managing editor of the *Youth For Christ Magazine*, President Robert A. Cook announced recently.

Larson, who has been serving as associate editor, will switch positions with Ken Anderson of Muskegon, Michigan, editor since 1945. Larson spent three years on the sports staff of the *Minneapolis Tribune* before going into religious journalism. Books he has written include biographies of Gil Dodds, Torrey M. Johnson, Field Marshall Montgomery, and Dr. William Ward Ayer. At present he is completing research on a book of the life of Evangelist Billy Graham, due for publication late in 1954 or 1955.

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MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Northwestern Schools' 1953 fall registration showed an increase of a hundred new students over last year's enrollment. 683 students have enrolled in Northwestern's three schools, the four year Liberal Arts College, Theological Seminary and Bible College. This year's fall registration showed 246 new students against 143 new students in 1952. It is expected that the 1953 total registration will hit 700 students the same as last year. Northwestern graduated 162 last June.

believe the message and to bow in thanksgiving at the Saviour's feet. Will you not do this now while our hearts are lifted up to Him in earnest prayer for all in His presence who are still unsaved?

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Dr. Richard A. Elvee, the third president in the fifty year history of the school, has announced five additions to the academic staff. Dr. Elvee replaces Dr. Billy Graham, who left the presidency to devote full time to his nationally known evangelistic work.

Among the new appointees is Dr. G. Douglas Young, new dean of Northwestern Seminary. Dr. Young taught for ten years at Faith Theological Seminary and Shelton College, New York city before coming to Minneapolis. Born in Korea, Dr. Young holds a Doctor of Philosophy in Assyriology and Egyptology.

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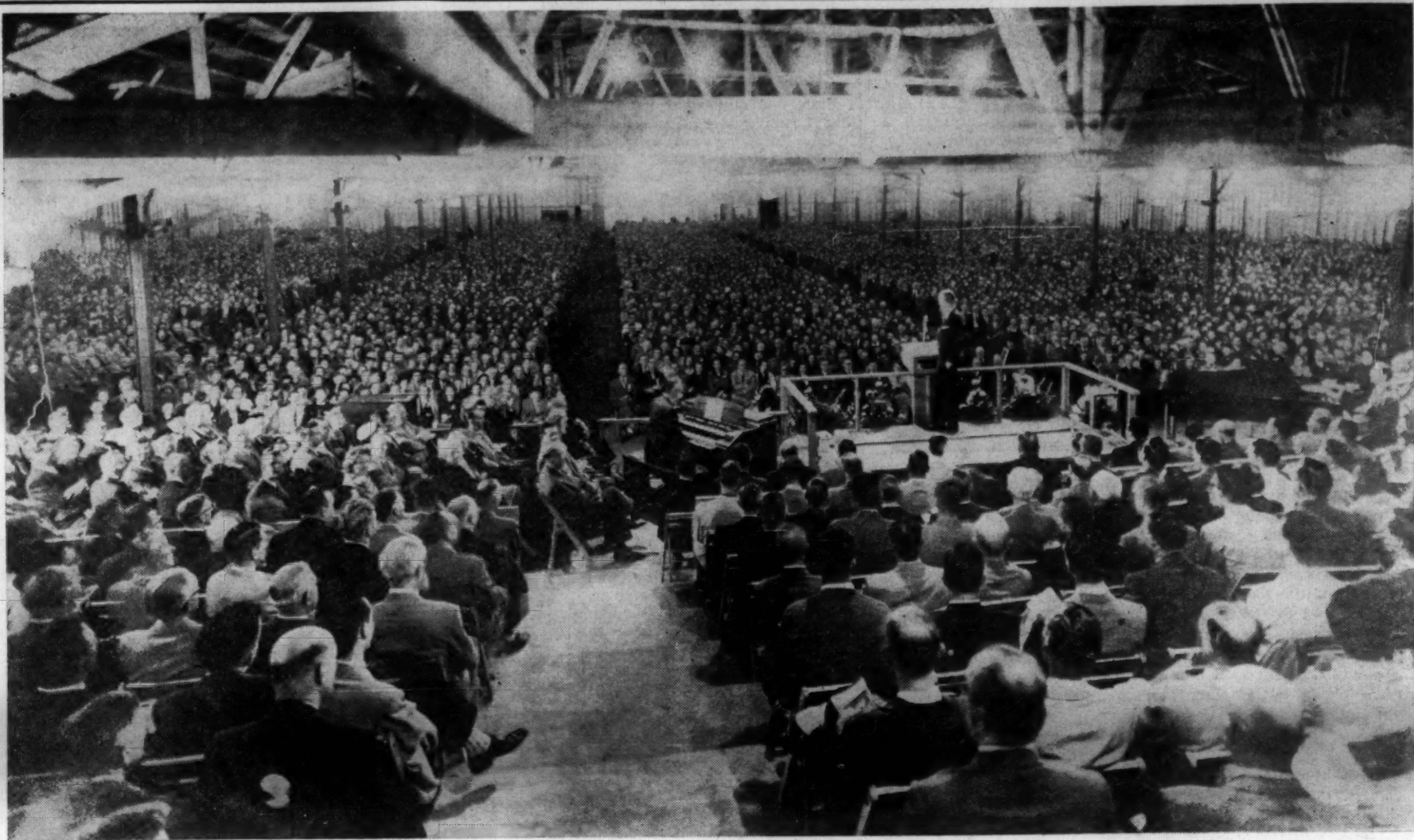
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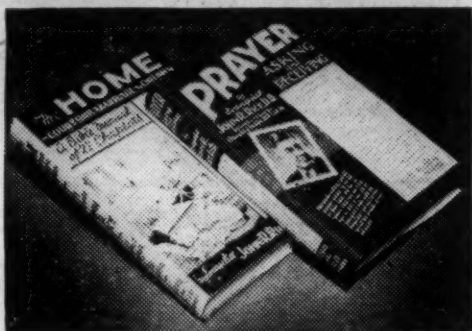
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The Secret Place of God

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mountain becomes the Mount of Transfiguration. The stormy sea becomes a place of peace. The stinking leper rushes home cleansed. The raging maniac becomes as a little lamb at the foot of the Shepherd. The woman filled with scarlet sin rushes back into the city to say, "Come see a man that told me all that ever I did."

Yes, it is the privilege to converse with Him in solitude. It is the privilege and comfort of those who do so, those who abide under the shadow of the Almighty. He shelters them, comes between them in everything that would harm and molest them, whether storm or sunshine. Is this grounds for thanksgiving? They shall not only have an admittance but a residence under God's protection. He will be their rest and refuge forever. Not just for a day or an hour or a minute, but forever. Let us sing His praises with thanksgiving always.

If you will turn in your Bibles to Psalms 25:14, you will find a parallel reference to this verse.

"The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant."

The secret of the Lord is made manifest unto those who pray in the fellowship of the Spirit, those who fear the Lord and understand His word. For "if any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God" (John 7:17). Those who receive the truth in the love of it and experience the power of it best understand the mystery of it. They know the meaning of His providences and what God is doing with them better than others.

"Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do?" (Gen. 18:17). God was about ready to destroy Sodom and Gomorrah; His anger had been stirred up against their wickedness and sin. There was no remedy, no balm in Gilead, no Saviour for those wicked cities. When God revealed to His friend Abraham what He was about to do, Abraham tried to bargain with God, and finally asked God if he could only find ten righteous souls, would He spare the city. God said that He would. Abraham searched, searched diligently, searched realizing the great cities of the plains were doomed if he could not find ten righteous men. I imagine that he called upon the business men, the politicians, the great men, the rich men, the poor men. I imagine that he went from the palace to the hovel. He cried through the streets in the market

places; in their temples of idolatry he cried, "Is there not a righteous man to be found?" After searching the boulevards, the avenues, the streets, the back alleys, he had to report back to God that he could find only the one righteous man. His name was Lot.

God Reveals His Will to Those Dwelling in the Secret Place

God reveals His secrets to His servants. Are you thankful that

God reveals His secrets to you? Have you ever heard Him whisper in your ear words that none other had ever heard, speak to you a piece such as no worldling could ever afford to hear? For all of these many benefits my heart is bowed in thanksgiving. We know by experience the blessings of the covenant and the pleasure of that fellowship which gracious souls have with the Father and with His Son, Jesus Christ.

God makes known His secret only to those who are willing to do His will. "If any man will do his

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3 Important Pleas!

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Yes, Brother Rice, I am glad to undertake to send a definite quota of subscriptions in the Sword Twentieth Anniversary effort. By September 28, 1954, I will undertake, God willing, to send _____ subscriptions (must be 25 or more to get the \$1.50 rate). I will send them: (1) _____ per month; (2) _____ all at one time; (3) _____ from time to time.

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I. All Things Ready

All things are ready for a great conference on revival here at Mobile, Alabama, November 30, at 7:00 p. m., and December 1; morning, afternoon and night. Dr. Rice will bring three messages. Dr. Bob Jones, Sr., will likewise bring three messages. I will bring two messages.

There will be good singing, grand fellowship and wonderful helpfulness.

Why do pastors and laymen drive for hundreds of miles to such conferences as the ones held in Chicago, Pontiac, Chattanooga,

Toccoa, Fort Smith, etc.? Why do pastors bring church delegations? Why do people attend from far-away Canada? Why do Sunday School teachers bring classes to these conferences?

Answer: Because they get a blessing—because they realize the need for revival—because they have their hearts warmed—because they get material for sermons, lessons, and churches—because they hear some of America's best preachers—because they learn some of the "know-how," etc.

Such reasons suggest why from 8 to 12 to 15 to 18 states are represented at EVERY such conference.

II. Hell—A Land of Liars; Heaven—A City of Truth-tellers

The first recorded lie was told by the Devil, and not without evil consequences then and now (Gen. 2:8-17; 3:1-19). "Don't lie" is one of the ten commandments (Exod. 20:16). No one of the ten commandments deals with liquor but one does deal with lying. No one of the ten commandments deals with gambling as such but one says, "Don't lie against your neighbor!"

The Devil is the source of every lie. (John 8:44). He uses the lie again and again against Jesus (John 6:42, Matt. 26:59-68, Luke 23:1-5, John 19:12, Matt. 28:11-15). Small wonder God hates a lie!

Small wonder God admonishes professed Christians (Satan's crowd may be expected to lie):

"Lie not one to another" (Col. 3:9).

"Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord" (Prov. 12:22; and 6:16-19).

"Putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor" (Eph. 4:25).

God exalts TRUTH—John 1:14, 17; 8:32; 14:6; 16:13; I Tim. 3:15. Lies are to fall like rain (II Tim. 3:1, 3, 13; II Pet. 2:1-3; II Thess. 2:1-12; I Tim. 4:1-2).

Lying preachers shall come along, Jesus declares in Matthew 24:11. They will speak and write letters. They will preach in the pulpit and converse outside—all lies!

God's work thrives on the TRUTH! There is never excuse for lying whether doctor, lawyer, preacher, or anyone else. Do you have to build your work, your church, your denomination on a lie? God does not!

See James 3:1-18, Acts 1:8, and Acts 5:1-11.

Exaggeration is lying! All liars go to Hell (Rev. 21:8; 22:15). God knows! God says it! That settles it!

God does not give anybody, preacher or layman, a dispensation for lying!

No liars are found in the beautiful city, Heaven (Rev. 21:27). Doxology! Let us be honest in words, spoken and written.

—Revival Radio Message over WKAB, Mobile, Alabama

III.

See a very special announcement

The Secret Place of God

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will, he shall know of the doctrine." Prayer brings down God's promises to the waiting one. He is rewarded openly and God reveals His will to him. People in David's day used to call the place of prayer the "secret place." "For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me" (Ps. 27:5). "His secret is with the righteous" (Prov. 3:32). Abraham had knowledge and power which the men of his time never knew.

Jacob arose from the night at Bethel with a patience and a strength that carried him through the trials of forty years. He was able to overcome a cunning father-in-law. He was able to destroy the enemies of God. Moses came down from the Mount and his face shone with the light of glory so that the people could not look upon him. He was in the secret place with God and God revealed His glory and power to him. It would scare some preachers, deacons and Sunday School teachers within an inch of their lives if God were to ever call them into His secret place. You will never be invited to come into this secret place of the Lord until you have by communion with the Father entered into the secret of His presence.

He that is willing to do God's will, to him will open wider avenues of service. If we are willing to follow God's plan, He reveals it to us. Greater blessings will come our way as we humbly obey Him. Such conduct on our part may be known as following His leadings, and this is the significance of what is prescribed as our duty, namely, living and walking in the Spirit. At this Thanksgiving season, are you thankful that you have the glorious privilege of walking in the Spirit? Let us not allow the thought of submission to God's will to seem a doleful thing but a thankful thing.

Having our own will and way is what makes most of our troubles. If one brings sickness or death upon himself or others by his own carelessness or by deliberate violation of nature's well-known laws, he talks about submission to the mysterious dispensations of providence and sings as a dirge, "Thy will be done," as if God's will were some dreadful foe.

"Thy will be done" gets its right note of triumph in the Lord's Prayer and that is what submission of the will should mean as we go forward with a child's humble acceptance of the heavenly Father's perfect will for guidance and defense through life. Just what it means to take this step of submission is a decision I believe possible with every born-again believer. You will never be able to float into God's will on tears, nor dream into it by longings.

Only Converted People May Live in the Secret Place

Conversion, another thing for which we should be grateful at this season and at all seasons, is the act of the human will in turning to God and submitting his will to the will of God. God will not compel any man to enter into His palace. It is not the will of God that any of you should perish. God takes pleasure in seeing no man die in his sins. Do you think God rejoiced as He saw Herod wallowing, with the worms eating into his flesh? Do you think God delighted and danced about with glee as He saw Judas sprawled at the foot of a precipice with his bowels gushed

concerning a great step in the building program. Dr. Rice mentions it in this issue. It is tremendous!

IV. Another Revival Conference

Plans are also ready for a revival conference at Lakeland, Florida. Dr. John R. Rice will bring several great messages, so will Dr. Lee Roberson. I will have the privilege of witnessing, also. The conference starts Thursday night, December 3, continues through Saturday, and closes with a great Sunday afternoon rally on revival. Pastors will be there with church delegations. Teachers will be there with class members.

By all means YOU should be there with family members and with friends.

in the midst? What pleasure can a holy God get out of hearing the screams of dying sinners as they scream, "Lost, lost, lost forever!" Do you believe that God sits back in glee and rejoices at the torment of the rich man in Hell? Of course not. "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). God so what? God so loved the world. Neighbors, if you go to Hell, you will go over the blood, you will go over the blessing, you will go over the prayers, you will go over the pleading of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

How thankful I am on this Thanksgiving Day that I have trusted this wonderful God, been forgiven of my sins, cleansed from my iniquity, made whole through the power of the blood of Jesus Christ. Development of Christian character is not accomplished in a moment, but turning right-about-face from a life that turns the back on God to a life that turns prayerfully to God is always instantaneous. Many lose half the good of life for lack of decision. "Turn ye, oh turn ye, for why will ye die?" The word declares that we are justified by faith, and by that justification we have peace with God.

Those Dwelling in the Secret Place Are Co-Workers With God

I am also grateful for the fact that I have the privilege of being a co-laborer with the Lord. Realiz-

ing my oneness with the Lord, I consider no longer my weakness but I count on the power of Him who works within me. It is no (Continued on page 8)

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New President At Southwestern

J. Howard Williams, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, has been chosen president of Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth. He succeeds Dr. E. D. Head, who recently retired on account of ill health.

Bob Shuler Retires

The militant pastor of Trinity Methodist Church in Los Angeles, Bob Shuler, Sr., retired in June at the age of 73. Shuler rounded out 55 years of gospel ministry and 33 years of pastorship of his present church as he closed his ministry at Trinity. He plans to continue the editing and publishing of his personal magazine, "The Methodist Challenge." He was offered the Pastor Emeritus of Trinity, but he turned it down with regrets. His health is not the best, and he feels that he should favor his body.

His son, Bob, Jr., has been called as his successor.

Malla Moe Dies in Africa

Malla Moe, Africa's best-known missionary, is with the Lord. Tens of thousands of Africans whom she loved and served mourn her death October 16 at Bethel Mission Station in Swaziland, South Africa, where she lived during most of her 61 years in Africa. Malla Moe's name has already gone down in religious annals with the great soul winners and missionary statesmen of the century. It has been said of her, "Without a doubt there is no missionary who has spoken to so many the words: 'Are you a Christian? Will you accept Christ as your personal Saviour?'" Until she was confined to her own home during the past few years, Malla travelled constantly by foot and by her donkey-drawn "gospel wagon" throughout Swaziland taking the Gospel to villages where it had not before penetrated. She gave all she acquired to feed, clothe and train her native Africans.

Shortly after she came to America from Norway where she was born on September 12, 1863, Malla Moe was in a meeting where evangelist D. L. Moody was preaching. During the invitation Moody walked down to her and said, "Are you a Christian?" When she replied, "Yes," he placed his hand on her shoulder and said, "Then you better get going to win

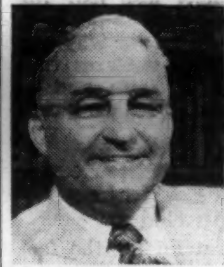
souls for Christ," and gave her a push.

Shortly after this impetus was imparted to her by D. L. Moody, Fredrik Franson, founder of The Evangelical Alliance Mission, encouraged her to go to Africa. Though she was already 29 at that time, she spent more years of active service in Africa than any of TEAM's other 95 missionaries who are there now.

Her zeal knew no bounds. Once when Malla arrived at a neighboring mission station, the missionary asked, "Have you walked all these 12 miles?" "Oh, no," answered Malla, "I have been running part of the way, and I have had the joy of leading 16 souls to Christ." Such occurrences were frequent.

Ten Miracle Years

"Ten Miracle Years" of service by the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society, Chicago, will be completed on December 15, 1953. Special anniversary observances are being held in hundreds of churches during October, November, and December.



Dr. Vincent Brushwyler, general director of the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

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longer I, but Christ that liveth in me. Christ in me the hope of glory. He is responsible for the success of my sermons. He is responsible for the success of my witnessing. He is responsible for the results of my labors.

The saint of God who has this secret assurance in his heart finds that it gives a brightness to his look, a gentle firmness to his tone, a perseverance to all his efforts, which of themselves are great means of influencing those whom he is seeking to win to Christ. He goes forth in the spirit of one to whom victory is assured. "For this is the victory that overcometh, even our faith." He no longer counts it humility to say that "God cannot bless his unworthy efforts." He claims, he expects a blessing because it is not he, but Christ in him that worketh. The great secret of abiding in Christ is the deep conviction that we are nothing and that He is everything. For the glorious revelation to me, that I am nothing, and that He is everything, has been one of the greatest blessings and one of the greatest revelations ever to come my way.

Be Thankful for Your Blessings!

You that have been complaining, growling, fussing, not content with such things as you have, will you not just stop for a moment and take an inventory? If you are saved, you have Christ as your Saviour. God is your Father, the

Holy Spirit is your Guide, Teacher and Comforter. You have the church that He purchased with His own precious blood. You have the Holy Bible written by holy men, inspired by God. You have fellow Christians who have been purchased and cleansed by the same blood, the blood of Christ. You have a great task before you, that of witnessing to a lost world, that of telling the story that Jesus Christ came, born of a virgin, lived a perfect life, died a sacrificial death, rose on the third day, and is coming again in great glory.

Are you thankful that you have the privilege of telling forth this story? Are you thankful that you have been redeemed from a Devil's Hell? Are you grateful for the privilege you have of being called a son of God, an heir of God, a joint-heir with the Lord Jesus Christ? Are you grateful for the fact that God has said, "I go to prepare a place for you?" Does it mean anything to you that you

have been delivered from Satan and sin and self and planted in the Saviour? As you look around you, as you observe others, are you grateful that God has given you a good, clean, pure, sweet wife, one who had rather attend church than to smoke a cigarette, and have devotions rather than a drink of liquor? Are you grateful that your little children can walk, while others have been crippled with polio? Are you thankful that your husband is sober, while other women have to contend with drunkards?

Count your blessings,
name them one by one,
And it will surprise you what
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body of little Bobby Greenlease, a bullet through his head, two front teeth knocked out. Later the kidnapers confessed that they had dug the grave even before the kidnapping, intended to murder the boy, and take the ransom without returning him.

Carl Austin Hall had a well-to-do father in a Kansas town, inherited \$200,000, wasted it in gambling, drunkenness, vice, and dope. Then he turned to burglary, served a term in the penitentiary, was paroled. Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady had previously been charged with murder, then had lived a quiet married life, was divorced, then became a drunkard, lived in sin with Hall. She helped Hall plan the kidnapping, helped him take the boy out on a country road in Kansas where Hall knocked out two of the six-year-old lad's teeth with his fist and then shot him through the head.

Now these two murderers, kidnapers, extortioners await trial under the national Lindbergh Law and probable death in the gas chamber.

The public has been stirred by this unspeakable crime, and it seems wise to draw some scriptural and spiritual lessons from it.

I. Hatred and Envy of the Rich Is a Great Sin

Wealth cannot be left out of any reasonable discussion of this case. Robert Greenlease, millionaire automobile dealer, was selected long ago to be the victim of this extortion plot. Convict Carl Austin Hall, thirty-four years old, knew an older son of Greenlease, was acquainted with the family, and planned his crime. Only from a rich man could Carl Hall hope to extort the money that he wanted. The fact that Greenlease had wealth seems to have put him beyond the sympathy which even criminals would ordinarily have toward other people. Ordinarily a gangster might shoot down a man he hated, or his natural enemy, a policeman, if arrest and imprisonment threatened. But rarely is a criminal so low down, so without feeling as to deliberately shoot a six-year-old child. Ordinarily even the most sinful human being would not want to bring to any mother the unspeakable grief that was brought to the mother of little Bobby Greenlease. But the Robert Greenleases were wealthy, and hate and envy of the rich made the crime seem less horrible to Carl Austin Hall!

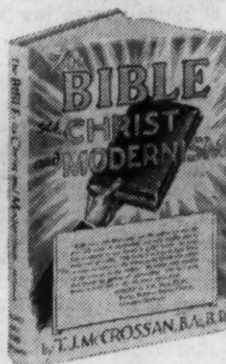
Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady was greatly concerned about her boxer

dog. She called long distance to St. Joseph, Missouri, to have her dog fed, and she was almost in tears lest the dog should have been hungry. Yet only a few hours before she had helped take little six-year-old Bobby Greenlease into the country, watched Carl Hall strike the child with his fist, knocking out two front teeth, had complacently seen the scoundrel shoot the child through the head, then helped wrap the little body in a plastic bag and had it buried in her backyard, and the grave covered with potted flowers! She had a heart for a hungry dog, but Bobby Greenlease was different; he was the child of rich parents, hated and envied, and a natural prey for anybody who could get their money!

Banker Eisenhower, brother of our President and a friend of Robert Greenlease, reveals that there were some fifteen different people who got in touch with Greenlease, claiming that they had the kidnapped child, and demanding a ransom! That indicates an alarming condition of mind. Many many people had the attitude that the rich are to be hated and envied and their money taken by anybody who can get it!

Envy of others who have more than we have is a natural trait of the depraved human heart. Unfortunately, for the last twenty-odd years America has abounded in propaganda against the men who have earned and saved money. The socialistic New Deal under Roosevelt set out to "redistribute the wealth." By this, Roosevelt meant simply to take, by law, money from those who earned it and to give it to others who had not earned it, in order to get their votes for the New Deal administration. This is a fundamental principle of Karl Marx, the father of socialism and communism. He insisted that higher income taxes for rich people, higher inheritance taxes, should be levied to take money from those who had earned it, and to give it to those who were the party members, or to those who did not earn it, but wanted it. We have had an era in which big business is supposed to be bad because it is big. Any administration tending toward socialism and communism takes advantage of the fact that there are more poor people to vote than rich people. Therefore they "soak the rich" to get the votes of the poor. They "soak" capital to get the votes of labor. They "soak" all of the American people in extra taxes to get the votes of farmers. Such

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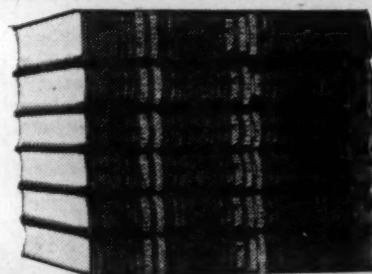
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time-serving politicians give hand-outs of taxpayer's money to pay people more than they earn for labor or for goods. There has been deliberate propaganda in the realm of politics, in the realm of labor, carried on by modernists and socialists like Dr. E. Stanley Jones and the National Council of Church leaders, carried on especially by Bishop Oxnham and others of his kind, to the effect

that the American free enterprise system is wrong, that the competitive system is wrong whereby one man, by harder work, by longer hours, by greater thrift, by good judgment, may accumulate a fortune in America. It is certain New Deal politicians and modernistic church leaders and socialistic labor leaders like John L. Lewis and Reuther would be shocked and horrified at the crime

of the kidnapping and murder of little Bobby Greenlease, and the extortion of money from his parents. The last thing they would want to do would be to encourage such crime. Yet they have cultivated an attitude of class hate, a spirit of envy and mistrust and hatred of the rich, which, no doubt, had a part in this crime.

Christians, then, ought to stop and consider whether or not they have been guilty of this class hatred which turns out kidnappers and murderers who think nothing of causing heartache and trouble to a rich man.

On this matter, let us consider a clear warning from the Word of God in Exodus 23:2, 3:

"Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment: Neither shalt thou countenance a poor man in his cause."

There is much in the Bible against the oppression of the poor, and blessed rewards are promised those who are kind to the poor. But we are equally warned not to follow the multitude, not to follow after the crowd, and not to "countenance a poor man in his cause."

Anybody who puts the poor man before the rich man sins just as much as he who puts the rich man before the poor man. If it is right to take twenty per cent income from a poor man, then it is right to take only twenty per cent income from the rich man. If it is wrong to seize the property of the poor, it is equally wicked to seize the property of the rich, though by legal means, to give it to others.

The politician who plays up to the poor and rouses a multitude in sentiment against "big business," against wealthy men, against management is not only un-American in his attitude, but un-Christian.

Again in Leviticus 19:15, God's Word says, "Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbor."

Here again the sin of class hate is forbidden. It is unrighteous to respect the person of the poor, just as it is unrighteous to honor the person of the mighty. It would be wrong to care more for the heartbreak of that little mother in Kansas City than for the poor mother. It is equally a sin to care less for her heartbreak than for the heartbreak of a poor mother whose child is taken from her. One of the greatest dangers to America is the class distinction and the class hatred aroused by socialistic leaders; politicians who set farmers against the rest of the people and make farmers think they ought to be supported by taxation by other people; labor leaders who put labor against management. Anybody who takes a position as a farmer against other classes, who takes the position as a laborer above other classes, who takes a position as a poor person against the rich people, has an un-American and an un-Christian viewpoint which holds great danger for the future of America. Every man in government ought to

take a position as representing all Americans and working for the good of the nation, not for any particular class as against other classes.

It would be good for us to remember that some of the greatest men in the Bible were rich. Abraham had great riches (Gen. 13:2). David went from poverty to wealth. Solomon was the richest man in ancient times. Job was tremendously wealthy. All of these men are held up as models of virtue, as great servants of God. In the New Testament, Joseph of Arimathea, who lent his tomb hewn out in the rock for the body of the dear Saviour He loved, was a rich man.

The simple truth is that wealth is usually earned by hard work, by long hours, by thrift, by dependability and good character. Ordinarily the man who makes more money earns more, and the man who acquires wealth ought to be honored for good citizenship.

Nothing is clearer in the Bible than that the man who gets wealth usually does it by God's blessing.

In Psalm 112:1, 3, we are told, "Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord. . . . Wealth and riches shall be in his house. . . ."

Ecclesiastes 5:19 and 6:2 say plainly that God gives riches and wealth.

In Proverbs 10:22 we are told that, "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich. . . ." In the book of Proverbs, spiritual wisdom is personified, and we are told, "In her left hand (are) riches and honour" (Prov. 3:16). The same thing is restated in Proverbs 8:18.

Compare the two men, Robert Greenlease, millionaire Cadillac automobile dealer, and Carl Austin Hall, the poor man. One should not side with Greenlease because he is rich, and one should not side with Hall because he is poor. But all honest people ought to prefer the honorable, hard-working, decent citizen Greenlease, who has earned his money, who has given employment to others, who has helped good causes, above the profligate, gambling, whoremonger, drunkard, and dope-user, Carl Hall. Hall once had over \$200,000 and wasted it in gambling, in drunkenness, in association with harlots and criminals. He has caused only heartache and trouble. Those who favor that kind of poor man instead of an honorable and decent rich man are guilty of great sin. Let us all examine our hearts and make sure that the bitter sin of envy and hatred of those who have more than we have does not come in to make a mockery of our claim to follow Christ and to be good Americans.

Let every Christian parent teach his children, let every teacher show her pupils, let every statesman remind his constituents, how much America owes to the rich patriot who largely financed the American Revolution, to the rich steel man who sprinkled American towns and cities with Carnegie libraries; to rich geniuses like Henry Ford who gave jobs to multiplied thousands and put luxuries of life within the reach of laborers. Let us thank God for wealthy people who have endowed our great colleges, universities, and museums and have built our hospitals. Let us thank God for the industrialists who work longer hours than laborers, who save and scrimp, invest, supervise and make jobs for millions of other workers. Let's give everybody their honest due, and help break down this wicked envy, prejudice, and hate toward those who may have more of this world's goods than we have. Mr. and Mrs. Greenlease were honest, good Americans. Their hearts have been broken by an inexcusable and horrible crime. Those who encourage class hate will have to give an account to God for the sentiment which makes possibilities such crimes.

II. The Futility, Danger, and Temptation of Wealth

A woman, commenting on the death of little Bobby Greenlease, said, "What a pity for the child to die when he would have inherited all that money!" She assumed, so foolishly, that the wealth would have meant great happiness. On the contrary, the case of little Bobby Greenlease, his tortured father and mother, and his monstrous murderers, goes to illustrate most painfully and emphatically the danger, futility,

and temptation inherent in wealth. How often the Bible warns about the danger and temptations of wealth. Read these solemn words:

"For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. And having food and raiment let us be therewith content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."—I Tim. 6:7-10.

We do not wonder that in Psalm 62:10 we have the solemn warning, "If riches increase, set not your heart upon them." Again we are commanded, "Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom. Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven" (Prov. 23:4, 5).

Consider the danger and trouble which riches brought to Robert Greenlease and his wife. Because of his riches, his little boy was selected for kidnapping and murder. Every rich man and woman is a target for every unscrupulous promoter, every confidence man. Wealth brings with it the envy and the spite of those who have less. Ask Colonel Lindbergh about the dangers of wealth which caused his little son to be kidnapped and killed, too.

Every person of wealth must face the constant misunderstanding, the envy and cupidity of those around him. A rich man complained to me that he did not know whether he had one true friend in the world. He had many who hung about him, hoping to profit from him, but how many were his genuine friends? Another wealthy man told me sadly that many a preacher called upon him to ask for money for his church, but that no one took time to inquire about his immortal soul, or to pray with him about his burdens.

If some man reads this who has to struggle to make ends meet, but who has a happy family and ordinary health and plenty to eat, and his little ones safely tucked in the bed at night, let him thank God that he does not have the constant danger and trouble that wealth brings with it.

Consider what wealth did for Carl Austin Hall. His father was a prominent attorney, active in the Presbyterian church, greatly respected in his community. The father died, leaving Carl Austin Hall the accumulation of a lifetime of hard work—some \$200,000 worth of property. Alas, here wealth proved a curse, as it often is when it comes without toil. The young man had never worked; now he resolved he never would. He could not wait to get his hands on his inheritance. Farms were sold, then the family home, and every penny was spent by the extravagant wastrel. The money went for gambling, for drinks, went to prostitutes, was dissipated in extravagant tips. In a few short years the money was all gone. But it had left its fatal mark upon Carl Austin Hall. It had spoiled him. He had no taste for simple virtues and for honorable pleasures. He despised work. It is not known that he ever earned an honest dollar. He set out in a career of burglary, but soon landed in prison. He was paroled, but already he was planning the "master crime."

Does anybody believe that wealth was good for Carl Austin Hall? What did he get out of the money wasted in nights of dissipation? He got drunkenness and the implacable dope habit, the society of harlots and criminals, and now, at thirty-four, he faces death in the gas chamber, a despoiled murderer.

Let us be warned from the case of Carl Austin Hall that "riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven." The Proverb, "A fool and his money are soon parted," is certainly true.

The possession of money is a great danger even to the one who earns it honestly, the one who, by great integrity and virtue has saved it, invested it, used it. But

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Dr. Bob Jones Says:

No student or employee of Bob Jones University who is a spiritual liability can be an asset in this institution. This statement is on placards and is framed and is on the walls in a number of places on Bob Jones University campus. No institution can be Christian that keeps in its employee men and women who are a spiritual liability. No Christian school can remain Christian with students who are unconverted and who cannot be prevailed upon to accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour. The Bible makes it plain that one sinner destroys much good. The academic standards of a Christian institution are never lower but are always raised by a strong spiritual emphasis. When the Lord Jesus Christ has first place, everything else takes its proper place. All of the students and all of the faculty members who have been employed for the last twenty-six years who were aggressively spiritual and who were real soul winners have been loyal to Bob Jones University and to its spiritual emphasis. We have never had a student or faculty member who had a real passion for souls that was a misfit. We are willing to match the academic standards and achievements of any school anywhere. Nothing that is right or efficient has to be sacrificed on the altar of a strong spiritual emphasis. We are not interested in helping the children of the devil grind their axe on the academic grindstone of Bob Jones University. We are interested in training cultured Christian leaders who will go out into the world and give an uncompromising, orthodox, evangelistic testimony.

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off for a long time making your contribution. Now, if the Lord has been speaking to you (and I am pretty sure He has been talking to some of you) about helping us here at Bob Jones University in our effort to help young people who have to have help to get the kind of training they desire to qualify them to do the work to which God have called them, then let me urge you not to put the matter off any longer. Please send in a contribution right away.

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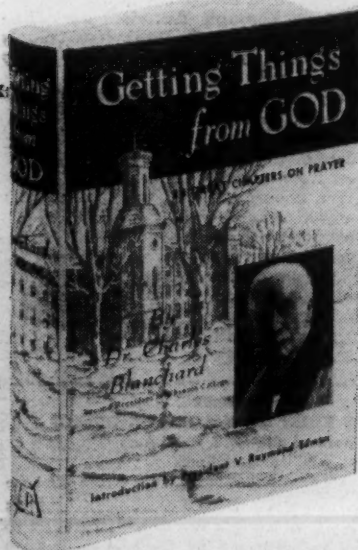
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money inherited by one who did not have the discipline of earning it is nearly always an unrelieved curse. How thankful to God I ought to be that my children must work their way through college, that I have no estate for them! By God's grace I am seeing that they have a good education, that they are well developed, hardworking Christians, that they have the mature Christian character to face life. That is far better than if I could leave each of them a million dollars. For the money would almost certainly prove a curse and not a blessing.

The spending of unearned money is one of the greatest tests human character may experience. Why should we trust a man to control the budget of the United States who has gone bankrupt in a little haberdashery shop in Kansas City? And it is not surprising that another man, who made a failure in every business enterprise he ever entered, ran the federal government into debt billions upon billions of dollars when he was president. No man is safe to spend money who has not earned money. That is one of the inherent weaknesses of socialism. A bureaucrat always is wasteful and inefficient as compared with private enterprise. A successful businessman will always handle business much more efficiently than a politician elected to office to handle other people's money.

Let every reader solemnly consider what a curse his money may be for his children! How much better it would be for you who have means, if the money were spent now while you live in getting out the Gospel, in winning people to Christ, than to leave it to damn your children!

And how futile it is to expect money to bring happiness! I dare say that Mrs. Robert Greenlease today would most gladly give up her mansion, give up the luxuries that earned income has brought, if only she could have her six-year-old boy in her arms again tonight! No wonder Mr. Greenlease gladly gave up \$600,000 in cash on the bare possibility of getting his little boy back again well and sound. He was cheated by the infamous murderers and kidnappers, but he well knew that money could not satisfy the ache in his heart. He wanted his little boy.

These two, we have heard, are Catholics, not Protestants, as I am. They are rich, and I am not often called to associate with rich people. They live in Kansas City; I live far away in Wheaton. But I would give much tonight if I could sit in their home and be of some comfort to them, telling of the love of the Lord Jesus, telling of the peace of heart that one may find in Him alone, telling them of the glad assurance that they can meet little Bobby in Heaven if they put their trust in Jesus Christ. Oh, let every reader bear in mind that money cannot cure the ills of the heart, cannot satisfy the longings that rise in the human breast! Money cannot satisfy, cannot make one happy, cannot bring rest in soul! But, thank God, a personal faith in Jesus Christ can bring that peace.

Consider how wicked is covetousness! No wonder the Bible speaks of "covetousness, which is idolatry" (Col. 3:5), and the Scripture says that the love of money is the root of every kind of evil.

Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady has told someone that she thinks she may get twenty years in the penitentiary, that for good behaviour this may be shortened to seven years, and then, at forty-eight, she hopes to still have some time to live with money. She said, "I would rather be dead than be poor." See what covetousness has done to this woman. She was once a respected citizen, and relative and friend. But the love of money has led her into one of the most horrible crimes of the century.

The love of money led Carl Austin Hall to seek the \$600,000. The love of money leads to every kind of crime in the world. Not a prostitute who sells her body but does it for money. Not a seller of dope and marijuana, damning young lives, but does it for the love of money. Every bartender,

in the business of making paupers and drunkards and harlots and damning souls, does it for the love of money. Oh, how we ought to hate and fear that sin!

Consider the tremendous temptations which come with wealth. "They that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition" (I Tim. 6:9).

Had it not been for the money Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady received from her husband and the farm she had, she probably would not have put in a \$5,000 recreation room, would probably not have become a drunkard, then the paramour of a criminal.

How blessed it would have been for Carl Austin Hall if he had never had money to gamble, never had money to drink, never had enough money to tempt him to fellowship with gangsters and criminals! How blessed if he had never had money to buy his first shot of dope! Oh, the temptations that come with wealth!

One of the most solemn warnings on the danger of wealth came from the lips of Jesus Himself:

"And Jesus looked about, and saith unto his disciples, How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God! And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."—Mark 10:23-25.

Most rich people go to Hell. It is hard for a rich person to be saved. It is especially hard because they trust in riches. It is especially hard for rich people to be saved because their wealth brings them more temptation, more association with ungodly people.

Unfortunately to be rich often means that one never has the honest appeal to turn from his sin and trust Christ. Most preachers do not risk offending their rich church members. No wonder Jesus said, "Blessed be ye poor."

It would be a miracle for a camel to go through the eye of a needle. And it is that difficult for a rich man to be saved. But, thank God, a rich man who realizes that he is a poor, naked, condemned sinner, and repents and turns to Jesus Christ, may find peace and forgiveness just like anybody else. But, oh, how many are in Hell because they prospered on earth, and so were tempted and led on into sin and away from the Saviour. Anything in this world that keeps people from turning to Jesus Christ will damn their souls. And riches often do enamor people, enslave people, and blind their eyes to their own guilt, their own sin and need. So riches are a great temptation.

With this in mind, Jesus solemnly warned us, "Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?" (Matt. 6:25).

And so in Hebrews 13:5, 6, is the command and promise:

"Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me."

Oh, may God help us to hate and fear the sin of covetousness and learn the sweet secret of contentment! "Godliness with contentment is great gain." So Paul told Timothy, "And having food and raiment, let us therewith be content."

The tragedy of little Bobby Greenlease, the tragedy of Carl Austin Hall, the tragedy of Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady, all cry out to us at the danger, the futility, and the temptation of riches.

III. The Enslaving Power of Sin

Probably the most despised man in America today is Carl Austin

Hall. He is one of the most cold-blooded murderers. He is a slave to narcotics. He is a drunkard. He is a gambler. He is a companion of underworld characters. He is a convict. All these things show how sin enslaves and grows in the life of the sinner.

Carl Austin Hall attended the Presbyterian church. His home was a good, moral, upright home. His father and mother were church people and, we trust, genuine Christians. They were widely respected. They were people of culture, with a nice home, important friends. The boy had every opportunity.

But an endless chain of sin began to bind him. First, however good his background, he failed to turn to Jesus Christ and be converted. Anybody in the world who does not accept Christ as his personal Saviour and have a change of heart, a transformation wrought by miraculous salvation through Christ, regeneration, is a servant of sin and will head downward. Oh, if only that father and mother had won their son to Jesus Christ!

But then the unsaved lad was not taught to work. Hence, his selfishness grew. He was given too much money to spend. Then, when his father died, he had money without character. It led him on and on—drink, gambling, a wild life, association with criminals, making a big show with his wild spending. Little by little Carl Austin Hall had his whole character changed, colored, enslaved, by sin. Down, down, down he went until he became a criminal, a dope addict, a common bum, then an extortioner and murderer of a little boy.

That is the way sin always tends to work. The occasional drinker becomes a drunkard. The drunkard becomes a dope addict. Gambling leads to stealing. Association with bad company leads to crime. The dance, the commercial picture show, promiscuous necking and petting lead to adultery. Rejection of Jesus Christ as Saviour leads to an outrageous life of sin.

Not all unconverted people become criminals, of course. Sometimes there is enough discipline in the life to keep down outward appearances of sin. But inwardly, always, the deadly work goes on. Sin hardens the heart. Sin enslaves the will. The man who could have quit his liquor yesterday cannot do so tomorrow. The person who could have turned unto Christ and repented, tomorrow will be so dead in his sins that he will mock at the Bible and Christ.

The tendency of sin to grow and master the sinner is indicated in Psalm 1:1. The sinner first walks in the counsel of the ungodly, then stands in the way of sinners, then finally sits in the seat of the scornful. His association is first with unconverted people, then with gross sinners, and finally with the scornful infidel. His touch with them is at first casual, then deliberate, then final and permanent.

This course of sin in enslaving the sinner is illustrated in Samson. Delilah first cost him his Christian integrity, then his hair, then his power from God, then his eyesight, then his life!

This progress of sin in the case of Achan is described thus, "I saw . . . then I coveted them, and took them and behold they are hid." First, people look on sin and keep company with it; then they want it; then they take it; then they excuse it and cover it. So, sin enslaves and damns.

IV. God Commands the Death Penalty for Kidnapping and Murder

Now Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady languish in a Kansas City jail awaiting trial. It is expected that they will go to the gas chamber to pay with their lives for the brutal and senseless murder of little Bobby Greenlease. On the one hand there is a vast cry for judgment of these wicked sinners. On the other hand foolish people talk about giving them another chance, forgiving them. But what ought the Christian attitude be toward Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady? What should the prosecuting attorney ask the jury to do? What should the jury decide? If they are condemned to the gas chambers, should the President pardon them, or should they go to their death?

The Scripture is very plain on this point. These murderers and kidnappers ought to be sent to death and that as speedily as possible.

The death penalty was first required in Genesis 9:5, 6. There God told Noah:

"And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; At the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man."

Let us hear this solemn word: "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed." Here is the divine command. Murderers must be put to death by society.

Remember that command was given long before the Mosaic law. However, when the Mosaic law was given to Israel at Mount Sinai, God put in the solemn command about murder and kidnapping. In Exodus 21:12-14 God commands:

"He that smiteth a man, so that he die, shall be surely put to death. And if a man lie not in wait, but God deliver him into his hand; then I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee. But if a man come presumptuously upon his neighbor, to slay him with guile; thou shalt take him from mine altar, that he may die."

Here it is clear that intentional and deliberate murder requires the death penalty. Even if Carl Austin Hall were kneeling at an altar of God, the Scripture says that he is to be dragged away and put to death for deliberate and intentional murder.

And in this passage God requires the death penalty for kidnapping. Exodus 21:16 says:

"And he that stealeth a man, and selleth him, or if he be found in his hand, he shall surely be put to death."

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kidnapper. But God's Word says that even if a man be found in the hands of the kidnapper, still he should be put to death. So, on two different counts, Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady deserve the death penalty. They should be put to death for kidnapping. That failing, they should be put to death for murder. So God's law requires.

But some one may say, "That is in the Old Testament. That is Law, not grace." But I assure you that this is moral law, representing the attitude of God toward such sin, the same in the New Testament as in the old.

Once Jesus was preaching and people came to tell Him of how Pilate had executed some traitorous Galileans.

"There were present at that season some that told him of the Galileans, whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. And Jesus answering said unto them, Suppose ye that these Galileans were sinners above all the Galileans, because they suffered such things? I tell you, Nay; but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish."—Luke 13:1-3.

Here Jesus endorsed Pilate's action in killing the traitorous Galileans who came into the temple to offer their deceitful sacrifices which they plotted to murder officers and overthrow the government. Pilate had them put to death and their blood ran down the same gutters with the blood of the lambs killed in sacrificing. Jesus warned the assembled multitudes, "I tell you, Nay; but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish." Here Jesus endorsed the death penalty given by Pilate and said that others would likewise die unless they should repent.

Then He went on to say that when the tower in Siloam fell and killed eighteen people, it was the hand of God, a warning to all to repent.

Then in Romans 13:4 we are plainly told that the minister, bearing the sword of vengeance "is the minister of God, a revenger to execute wrath upon him that doeth evil." So when Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady are locked in the gas chamber, the little poison pellets are released that will fill the room with the choking gas that will kill them in seconds, those government officials will be simply obeying the plain command of God, and those sinners will be coming to a judgment which is plainly ordered for them of God.

Oh, may the reader let this solemn warning sink deep down in your soul! God hates sin! God will not let sin get by! And the God who demands the death penalty for kidnapping and murder now, will meet these same sinners and take them to the lake of fire and eternal torment, provided they do not sincerely and genuinely repent and be born again before death.

V. Let Us Be Warned, "Be Sure Your Sin Will Find You Out"

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thought that reappears again and again throughout the Bible. In the Garden of Eden God said to Adam and Eve about the forbidden fruit, "And the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." They proceeded presumptuously in sin and they died that day spiritually and death entered into their bodies and the whole human race has been turned, through them, into death and sin.

To others, Moses solemnly declared by divine inspiration, "Be sure your sin will find you out" (Num. 32:23). That applied not only to the two and one-half tribes who were so solemnly warned, but applies to every sinner. No one ever did get by with sin.

In Ezekiel 18:20 is a solemn warning, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die."

In the New Testament this theme appears again and again, as it does in the Old Testament. In Romans 6:23 we are told, "For the wages of sin is death." In Galatians 6:7, 8 is a solemn statement: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

In James 1:15 the Scripture warns us, "Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death."

Sinner, you cannot get by with your sin. Sin is a blighting, damning, cursing, hellish thing that cannot be hidden, cannot be ignored. It leads to public shame and disgrace. It leads to enslavement. It leads to a burning conscience. It leads to the righteous anger of God. As certain as there is a God in Heaven, your sins will find you out!

Like many another criminal, Carl Austin Hall set out to commit the "master crime," the crime with no clues. For months ahead he planned. "How long does it take time to destroy a body?" he asked a cell mate when he was in prison. Even then he planned the kidnapping and murder of little Bobby Greenlease, planned to bury the child's body under a flower bed where he thought, it would never be found.

The police departments, the detectives all had failed to find Bobby Greenlease or his abductors. But God had His own detectives. God heard the cry of that little mother, brokenhearted over her murdered baby boy! A good and just God could not let these two criminals get by with their sin.

When Carl Austin Hall was drinking, using one prostitute one night, another one another night, throwing away money like water, a taxi driver tipped off the police. He was arrested. Then the whole sordid story came out. The \$296,000 in cash was found in a suitcase. Then Hall told about Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady, his accomplice. He led them to her home and there in the back yard, under a newly-planted flower bed, they uncovered the shallow grave and found the little abused and decaying body. The whole story came out. First they accused another criminal, but at last the inevitable truth was told. The confession was signed. These two themselves were the extortioners, the kidnapers, the murderers. They await trial now, and please God, the gas chamber.

My own heart is profoundly moved as I write. How sudden, how shocking, came the end of their dreams! But that is the way sin always turns out, sooner or later. Did sin pay David when he stole the wife of Uriah the Hittite and committed adultery with her, then murdered his friend to keep it a secret? No! A dead baby, a raped daughter, a murdered son, then a throne usurped by another rebel son, paid David back!

Whoever gained by sin? Whoever got away with crime? Did Hitler? It seemed that he had the best chance of doing it that anybody in a hundred years had. But he died with his paramour in the bunkers, died by his own hand, it is said, and his body burned to avoid being taken in the last Allied assault on Berlin.

Did Mussolini gain by his sins,

his crimes? Did he get away with them? Look at the pictures of the poor dictator hanged head downward with the lewd woman who shared his flight from the mobs and who died with him!

Poor Christ-rejecting sinner, do you think you can get by with this rebellion against God? Do you think you can escape Hell and judgment? Do you think you can escape the wasted life, the burning conscience, the certain punishment that comes on Christ-rejecting criminals? I beg you to take the solemn lessons from the way Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady have come to judgment and await their doom. God will not let sin get by!

VI. Now a Final Word—There is Mercy Today for Sinners!

Yes, they are disturbing, shocking lessons that are forced upon our minds by the unspeakable tragedy and crime we are discussing. It is true that these two criminals ought to go to their death in the gas chamber and we suppose they will. It is true that sin always tends to bring enslavement and further sin, and then exposure, judgment and ruin. It is true that Hell awaits Christ-rejecting sinners. But, thank God, I have a good word for you now. Jesus Christ died to save sinners and He is ready to save you.

I do not have much hope that Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady will repent and be saved. It is probable that they have so hardened their hearts and have gone so long in sin that they will not heed the pleading of friends. I doubt if they will listen to a chaplain in prison. I do not expect them to be saved. But, on the bare chance that this message might fall into their hands, I earnestly and solemnly write down this assurance. If they will honestly repent of their sins, and will confess those sins before God and forsake them in their hearts, and if they will depend on Jesus Christ as their only hope and let Him be Saviour and let Him be Redeemer and let Him take over their lives, then Jesus Christ will save them there in prison, will give them new hearts, will make them into children of God, will prepare them for Heaven. I am saying that God has mercy for the vilest sinners.

Isn't that what God promises in Isaiah 1:18: "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool?"

If one reads this today whose sins are as scarlet, whose heart is black with sin, I beg you to repent now before the horrible axe of God's judgment falls upon you! Someone reads this who is an adulterer, but your adultery is not known. It may be that you are a thief, but your thieving has not brought you to public disgrace. Or it may be that you are as covetous as these vile sinners, and yet you have not regarded such covetousness as a sin. Or it may be that you are respectable and honorable; it may be that you pay honest debts, and that you are tender-hearted and kind. But one fact still remains: all of us are sinners, and if you have not been converted, if you have not repented, and if you have not been born again, then you are a poor doomed sinner.

After all, what everybody needs is to be born again, to have a new heart, a new nature brought by the miracle of the new birth.

Will you today confess yourself a sinner? Will you admit your need for God? Will you today repent and turn to Jesus Christ for mercy and forgiveness and peace and salvation? In Jesus' dear name I plead with you that you will turn and be saved.

Do not draw your robes of self-righteousness about you and suppose that you are naturally better than Carl Austin Hall and Mrs. Bonnie Brown Heady. Does not the Scripture say, "... For there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God"? (Rom. 3:22, 23). You are a sinner. In God's sight you are a great sinner. If you have not been converted, if you have not been born again, you are doomed. You, too, must turn to Christ and be

saved or go where all Christ-rejecters, all sinners, all unrepentant sinners go. You, too, must go with these criminals into the presence of an angry God to be judged for your sins and sent to Hell, if you do not repent. I beg you to turn to Christ and be saved today.

If you will earnestly turn from your sin and turn to Christ as your own personal Saviour just now, will you sign the following statement, copy it in a letter, and mail it to the editor at once? Make sure of salvation today.


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